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SAMPLE REQUESTS AND ALLOCATIONS

The Meteorite Working Group will meet in September for the purpose of reviewing requests for Antarctic Meteorites. Requests must be in by September 19, 1983.

Requests for specific samples (including sample name/number, weight requested, a brief description of the intended meteorite investigation, and pertinent sample specifics) should be sent to:

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Classified meteorites from the 1981 and 1982 Antarctic Collection

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Probable pairings of the 1981 and 1982 Antarctic Meteorites. **

C2: ALHA77306, 78261, 81002, 81004.

13: ALHA81024 with the ALHA77011 group.

15: ALHA81017, 81018, 81023.

L6: ALHA81027, 81028, 81029.

LL3: ALHA79003, 81025, 81030, 81031, 81032.

H4: ALHA81041, 81043, 81044, 81045, 81046, 81047, 81048, 81049, 81050, 81051, 81052 with the ALHA77004 group.

H4: ALHA77009, 78084, 81022.

H6: ALHA81035, 81038.

H6: ALHA71103, 81112.

Eucrite: ALHA81009, 81012.

Polymict Eucrite: AIHA81006, 81007, 81008, 81010 with the

ALHA76005 group.

Polymict Eucrite/Howardite: EETA79006, EETA81600.

Mesosiderite: ALHA81059, 81098.

** Add to Vol. 5 No. 1 pairing list for a complete listing.

Pebble Classifications from the 1977* and 1978# Antarctic Meteorite Collection

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^{* 1977} pebbles were classified by S. Mckinnley et al. # 1978 pebbles were classified by S.J.B. Reed and S.O. Agrell.

ALHA81029

Field No.:

1563

Weight (gms):

153.0 Meteorite Type: L6 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz This specimen consists of two pieces which fit together. One surface has shiny black fusion crust while the others are weathered to an iridescent red brown. The interior is weathered.

Dimensions: $9.5 \times 5 \times 2.5 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are sparse and poorly defined, tending to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of maskelynite, nickel-iron, and troilite. The meteorite is extensively weathered, the section being uniformly stained with brown limonite. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa25; orthopyroxene, Fs21; the maskelynite has CaO (2.1%) appropriate to oligoclase composition, but Na2O is low and variable (3.2-4.1%). The meteorite is classified as an 16 chondrite.

The section of AIHA81028 is similar in all respects; it has a veinlet up to 0.2 mm of fine-grained material which appears to consist largely of majorite and ringwoodite. ALHA81027 is similar, and these three meteorites are possibly paired.

Sample Nos:

ALHA81041, 81044, 81045,

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

81046, 81047, 81048, 81049,

81050, 81051, 81052

Field Nos.:

1146, 1125, 1141, 1100, 1121,

1648, 1147, 1143, 1106

Combined Weight: 1600.9

Meteorite Type: H4 Chondrite

Physical Description: Roberta Score

These ten samples represent 31 specimens which may be paired. Small bits of fusion crust are present on a couple of the stones. Most are extensive weathered inside and out.

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are abundant, and are set in a granular groundmass of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. Some of the pyroxene is polysynthetically twinned clinobronzite. Brown limonitic staining pervades the section. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa₁₈; pyroxene somewhat variable, Fs₁₅₋₂₃, mean Fs₁₈. The meteorite is classified as an H4 chondrite.

The sections of ALHA81043, 81044, 81045, 81046, 81047, 81048, 81049, 81050, 81051, and 81052 are very similar to that of AIHA81041, which suggests that some or all of these meteorites may be paired.

Sample No.: Field No.:

ALHA81064 1135, 1139

Weight (gms): 191.0

Meteorite Type: H5 Chondrite

Physical Description: Roberta Score

ALHA81064 consists of two pieces that fit together perfectly. Patches of black fusion crust are present on the exterior, with the rest of the stone being a uniform reddish-brown color. The interior is extensively weathered.

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Dimensions: 7.5 x 4 x 2 cm

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are fairly abundant, but their margins are sometimes diffuse and tend to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. Weathering is extensive, with limonitic staining throughout the section and some small areas of brown limonite. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa18; pyroxene, Fs15. The meteorite is classified as an H5 chondrite.

Sample No.:

ALHA81094

Field No.:

1108

Weight (gms):

152.0

Meteorite Type: H6 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

Shiny black to brown fusion crust covers this specimen. Several large fractures penetrate the interior. The interior is dark red brown with no features distinguishable.

Dimensions: $5 \times 5 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are present, but are extensively integrated with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron, troilite, and plagioclase. Weathering is extensive, with limonitic staining and small areas of limonite throughout the section. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa₁₀; orthopyroxene, Fs₁₆; plagioclase, An₁₂. The meteorite is an H6 chondrite.

AIHA81098

Field No.:

1311

Weight (gms):

70.9

Meteorite Type: Mesosiderite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

The two pieces making up this specimen are fractured and reddish brown with remnant fusion crust. Several brownish mineral grains are present on the surface of the larger piece. The interior is dark red-brown.

Dimensions: $4 \times 4 \times 1.5$ cm; $4 \times 3.5 \times 1$ cm

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason The section consists largely of orthopyroxene, as angular clasts up to 2.5 mm across, in a matrix of comminuted material; the matrix also contains a little plagioclase. About 20% of nickel-iron is present but is extensively weathered to brown limonite. Chromite is a common accessory, in grains up to 1.5 mm across, and a little troilite is present. Microprobe analyses give orthopyroxene composition Fs28; with mean weight per CaO 1.1, MnO 0.8, Al_O_O_O.6, TiO_O.3; plagicclase composition is An_O_O. The meteorite is a mesosiderite, Very similar to ALHA81059, with which it may be paired.

Sample No.:

ALHA81099

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Field No.: Weight (gms):

1284 151.6

Meteorite Type: L6 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

This angular piece is covered with black fusion crust. Oxidation halos and white deposit are present. The interior is light gray with some darker inclusions. A few oxidation halos occur.

Dimensions: $7 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason Chondrules are sparse and poorly defined, tending to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of plagioclase, nickel-iron, and troilite. Remnants of fusion crust, up to 0.6 mm thick, rim part of the section. Weathering is minor, being limited to brown limonitic staining around metal grains. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa25; orthopyroxene, Fs21; plagioclase, An10. The meteorite is an L6 chondrite.

ALHA81100

Field No.:

1484

Weight (gms):

154.6

Meteorite Type: H5 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

This specimen has black fusion crust on all but two sides. It is polygonally fractured and somewhat weathered. The other surfaces are dark reddish brown but show distinct chondrules and gray clasts. The interior is gray with oxidation haloes and a 1-2 mm weathering rind.

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Dimensions: $5 \times 4.8 \times 4.8 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are fairly abundant but their margins are diffuse, tending to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. Weathering is moderate, being limited to brown limonitic staining around metal grains. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa₁₀; orthopyroxene, Fs₁₇. The meteorite is classified as an H5 chondrite.

Sample No.:

ALHA81101

Field No.:

1634

Weight (gms):

119.2

Meteorite Type: Ureilite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

Fusion crust occurs on two sides of this specimen. The other sides have a rough surface, dark brown in color with gray inclusions. The interior is medium gray and not extensively weathered. It appears to be fractured or shocked, having a blocky texture.

Dimensions: $7.2 \times 4.5 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

The section shows an aggregrate of subhedral to anhedral crystals of olivine, 1-3 mm across; they are rimmed with dark carbonaceous material. Pyroxene, if present, is in small amount. Accessory nickel-iron is present, as minute grains along grain boundaries and fractures; it is partly altered to brown limonite. Under crossed polars the olivine crystals are seen as a mosaic of tiny grains averaging 0.05 mm across, evidently a shock effect. Microprobe analyses show olivine of variable composition, Fa₁₀₋₂₂, mean Fa₁₀. The meteorite is a ureilite; it differs from previously described ureifite from the Allan Hills in the mosaic texture of the olivine.

AIHA81103

Field No.:

1426

Weight (gms):

136.1

Meteorite Type: H6 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

The fusion crust on this stone is fractured and blistery in some areas. The other surfaces are brown and somewhat vuggy. The interior is reddish brown with one small area of grayish matrix remaining.

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Dimensions: $6 \times 5 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason Chondrules are sparse and poorly defined, their margins merging with the groundmass, which consists largely of granular olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron, troilite, and plagioclase. Weathering is extensive, with veinlets and small areas of brown limonite throughout. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa10; orthopyroxene, Fs₁₇; plagioclase, An₁₂. The meteorite is an H6 chondrite; it is very similar to ALHA81112, and is possibly paired with that specimen.

Sample No.:

ALHA81104

Field No.:

1114 183.8

Weight (gms): Meteorite Type: H4 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

Thin patchy fusion crust occurs on several sides of this reddish brown fragment. It is extremely fractured. The interior is totally weathered.

Dimensions: $9 \times 4.5 \times 3.5$ cm

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason Chondrules are numerous and well developed, but some are deformed or fragmented. They are set in a granular groundmass consisting largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. Much of the pyroxene is polysynthetically twinned clinobronzite. Weathering is indicated by brown limonitic staining throughout the section. Microprobe analyses gave the following compositions: olivine, Fa19; pyroxene, Fs17. The meteorite is classified as an H4 chondrite.

ALHA81107

Field No.:

1438

Weight (grs):

139.6

Meteorite Type: L6 Chondrite

Physical Lescription: Roberta Score

No fusion crust remains on this typical equilibrated L-type chondrite. It is a rounded specimen with a light to medium gray interior. A discontinuous weathering rind of up to 0.5 cm is present.

Location: Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Dimensions: $6 \times 4.5 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are few and poorly defined, their margins merging with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of plagioclase, nickel-iron, and troilite. Weathering is minor, being limited to brown limonitic staining around metal grains. Microprote analyses gave the following results: olivine, Fa₂₄; orthopyroxene, Fs₂₁; plagioclase, An₁₁; one grain of diopside, Wo₄₆En₄₇Fs₇, was identified. The meteorite is an 16 chondrite.

Sample No.:

ALHA81112

Field No.:

1550 150.3

Weight (grs):

Meteorite Type: H6 Chondrite

Physical Lescription: Carol Schwarz

Dull black fusion crust covers most of this sample. The other surfaces are dark brown with several light inclusions visible. The interior exposed in chipping is a red brown color.

Dimensions: $5 \times 5 \times 3.5$ cm

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

The section shows a granular aggregate of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron, troilite, and plagioclase, with a few poorly defined chondrules. Weathering is extensive, with veins and small areas of brown liminite throughout. Remnants of fusion crust, up to 0.5 mm thick, rim the section. Microprobe analyses gave the following results: olivine, Fa₁₀; orthopyroxene, Fs₁₇; plagioclase, An₁₂. The meteorite is an H6 chondrite.

ALHA81113

Field No.:

1646

Weight (gms):

111.1

Meteorite Type: H5 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

This angular specimen is iridescent red-brown and extremely fractured.

Location: Allan Hills

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interior is weathered except for a small area of yellowish matrix.

Dimensions: $7 \times 3.5 \times 3.5 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are moderately abundant, but some are poorly defined, tending to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. Weathering is extensive, with veins and small areas of brown limonite throughout the section. Microprobe analyses gave the following results: olivine, Fa₁₈; orthopyroxene, Fs, The meteorite is classified as an H5 chondrite.

Sample No.:

AIHA81115

Field No.:

1219

Weight (gms):

154.9

Meteorite Type: H5 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

One mm thick patchy fusion crust is scattered on this smooth rounded

specimen. The sample is red brown and extensively weathered.

Dimensions: $5.5 \times 4.5 \times 4$ cm

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are fairly abundant, but some are poorly defined and tend to merge with the granular groundmass, which consists largely of olivine and pyroxene, with minor amounts of nickel-iron and troilite. The section is pervaded with veinlets of brown limonite. Microprobe analyses gave the following results: olivine, Fa₁₀; orthopyroxene, Fs₁₇; some fine-grained plagioclase, An₁₃, was identified. The meteorite is classified as an H5 chondrite.

AIHA81119

Location: Allan Hills

Field No.:

1283

Weight (gms):

107.4

Meteorite Type: IA Chondrite

Physical Description: Roberta Score

ALHA81119 is not a complete specimen. One side of this meteorite is rounded and has thin black fusion crust while the opposite side is flat, greenish in color and clast-rich. Several troilite grains are present on the surface. The interior matrix is medium-gray with scattered areas of heavy oxidation.

Dimensions: $6.5 \times 4.5 \times 2 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

Chondrules are abundant and varied in texture, and are set in a finegrained granular groundmass consisting largely of olivine and pyroxene. Some of the pyroxene is polysynthetically twinned clinobronzite. Minor subequal amounts of nickel-iron and troilite are present, in grains up to 0.5 mm across. Minor weathering is indicated by brown limonitic staining around metal grains. Microprobe analyses gave the following results: olivine, Fa24; pyroxene, Fs21. The meteorite is classified as an I4 chondrite.

Sample No.:

ALHA82100

Location: Allan Hills

Field No.:

2999

Weight (gms):

24.3

Meteorite Type: C2 Carbonaceous Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

Patchy fusion crust occurs mainly on the bottom of this carbonaceous chondrite. Small sub-millimeter inclusions are visible on the exterior surfaces of the stone. There are no fractures. The north face has a rough texture from weathering. The interior is also black with a few very small inclusions.

Dimensions: $3.5 \times 3.5 \times 2.5 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

The section shows numerous small colorless grains (up to 0.3 mm) and irregular aggregates (up to 0.6 mm), mainly of olivine, and sparse chondrules, in a black matrix, translucent brown in thinned areas. Trace amounts of nickel-iron and troilite are present as widely dispersed minute grains. Microprobe analyses show olivine compositions in the range Fa but most grains are low-iron and the mean is Fa; pyroxene is very rare, two grains of clinoenstatite (Fs_{1-2}) being analyzed. The meteorite is a C2 chondrite.

Sample No.: Field No.:

ALHA82101

2908

Location:

Allan Hills

Location: Allan Hills

Weight (gms):

29.1

Meteorite Type: C30 Carbonaceous Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz The exterior surfaces that are not covered with a shiny, blistery fusion crust are gray-brown in color, contain small inclusions, and are rough on a millimeter scale. The interior is a gray-beige color with a 1 mm discontinuous weathering rind. Some metal is present. The matrix is finegrained. A few white and darker gray inclusions are present.

Dimensions: $3 \times 2.7 \times 2.7 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason The section shows an aggregate of small chondrules (average diameter approx. 0.5 mm), chondrule fragments, and mineral grains set in a translucent yellow-brown isotropic matrix. The chondrules show a wide variety of textures; in barred olivine chondrules the bars are pale brown isotropic glass. Minor amounts of nickel-iron and sulfide are present, as small grains within some chondrules and also concentrated around their margins. Microprobe analyses of olivine show a wide composition range: Fa₁₋₅₀, mean Fa₂₂; only a few grains of pyroxene were found, with compoornans subtype. 1-10. The meteorite is classified as a C3 chondrite of the

Sample No.:

AIHA82102

2995

Field No.: Weight (gms):

40 (estimate)

Meteorite Type:

Ordinary Chondrite

Physical Description: Roberta Score Stone was found apparently weathering out of the ice at the Far Western Ice Field. This specimen was collected in situ in a large block of encasing ice. The ice was sent to an ice coring lab in New Hampshire and was determined to be original (not refrozen) ice. The meteorite is now being sent back to Houston for characterization.

EETA82600

Field No.: Weight (gms): 2956 247.1

Meteorite Type: Howardite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

Some black pitted fusion crust occurs on one surface of EETA82600. other surfaces are smooth and gray with small white and dark gray inclusions. Chipping revealed an interior that is gray with an indistinct whitish weathering rind. The inclusions present are small and not very obvious.

Location: Elephant Moraine

Location: Pecora Escarpment

Dimensions: $7 \times 5 \times 5 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

The section shows a microbreccia of angular fragments (grains up to 2 mm across) of pyroxene (orthopyroxene and pigeonite) and plagioclase, in a matrix of comminuted pyroxene and plagicclase. Trace amounts of troilite and nickel-iron are present, and rare plagioclase-pigeonite clasts, up to 1.5 mm across. Microprobe analyses show a wide range in pyroxene compositions: Wo₁₋₂₄, En₃₂₋₇₇, Fs₂₂₋₅₃; the grains with En >70 indicate the presence of a diogenitic component. Plagioclase shows a considerable range of compositions, An₇₋₂₁. The meteorite is classed as a howardite and is possibly paired with EETA79006.

Sample No.:

PCAA82500

Field No.: Weight (gms):

2723 90.9

Meteorite Type: LL6 Chondrite

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

This specimen is very unusual looking. It is extremely fragmented with numerous cavities, some extending through the thickness of the sample. The cavities were filled with ice and snow when the sample was removed from the freezer. Several patches of fusion crust are present. The exterior surfaces are a dark gray color with the fresher areas exhibiting a light gray to yellowish color. Inclusions (chondrules?) have been exposed on the exterior surface. The interior contains much white evaporite deposit along with areas of yellowish weathering residue. A dark gray fine-grained matrix is visible in less weathered areas as are minute metal flecks and a few yellowish dots of oxidation.

Dimensions: $7 \times 5 \times 2.8 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason The section shows a single prophyritic olivine chondrule, diameter 3.6 mm, in an aggregate of turbid anhedral olivine grains averaging 0.1 mm. Small amounts of troilite and nickel-iron are present, the nickel-iron being largely weathered to brown limonite. Microprobe analyses gave olivine composition Fa₃₁; no pyroxene was found, but occasional grains of plagioclase ranging in composition from An₂₀ to An₄₀ were analyzed. The meteorite is classified as an LL6 chondrite.

Sample No.:

PCAA82501

2725

Weight (gms):

54.4

Meteorite Type: Eucrite (unbrecciated)

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

This achondrite has areas of shiny fusion crust remaining on all surfaces. Some sides are smooth, while others are rough and contain numerous vugs. Where there is no fusion crust the specimen is coarse grained, white and dark gray in color, with some yellowish oxidation. No individual clasts are visible. There is a very small amount of oxidation present in the interior of this stone.

Location: Pecora Escarpment

Dimensions: $4.5 \times 3 \times 3 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason
The section shows an ophitic intergrowth of plagioclase and pigeonite; the plagioclase laths average about 1 mm long. Trace amounts of troilite and nickel-iron are present, as minute grains; the nickel-iron grains are surrounded by rusty limonitic halos. Microprobe analyses show pyroxene compositions ranging fairly continuously from Wo EnzoFs, to Wo FnzoFs, the range in En content being quite limited. Plagioclase composition range is Angle . The meteorite is a eucrite and is unbrecciated in the thin section.

Sample No.: Field No.:

PCAA82502 2713, 2770, 2788

Location: Pecora Escarpment

Weight (gms):

890.4

Meteorite Type: Eucrite (unbrecciated)

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz

PCAA82502 consists of 3 pieces that have areas of extremely shiny fusion crust. These 3 pieces do not fit together, but it is obvious they are paired. The interiors of the fragments have a light gray matrix with darker gray inclusions up to several mm across. No weathering is evident, except that the exterior surfaces are darker gray than the interior surfaces.

Dimensions: $6 \times 4.5 \times 2.8 \text{ cm}$; $4.5 \times 4.3 \times 3 \text{ cm}$; $11 \times 8.5 \times 8 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason The section shows a fine-grained ophitic intergrowth of pigeonite and plagioclase (average length of plagioclase laths is about 0.1 mm). Small areas of somewhat coarser material may be partly digested clasts of similar composition. Trace amounts of nickel-iron and troilite are present, as minute grains. Microprobe analyses show pyroxene compositions ranging fairly continuously from Wo_En_3/Fs6, to Wo_3/En_3/Fs36, the range in En content being quite limited. Plagioclase composition is An₈₋₂₃. The meteorite is a eucrite and is unbrecciated in thin section; off is possibly a fine-grained variant of PCAA80501.

Sample No.:

TILA82403

Location: Thiel Mountains

Field No.: Weight (gms): 49.8

2776

Meteorite Type: Eucrite (brecciated)

Physical Description: Carol Schwarz Shiny black fusion crust covers 70% of this achondrite. The exterior matrix is gray with some white clasts, and a few black and white clasts visible. The top surface contains many vugs as large as 5 mm in diameter. The interior matrix is light gray with small white and darker gray clasts. One large coarse grained black and white clast was exposed when this meteorite was chipped.

Dimensions: $4.7 \times 4 \times 2 \text{ cm}$

Petrographic Description: Brian Mason

The section shows a microbreccia of angular fragments (grains up to 1.2 mm across) of pyroxene (orthopyroxene and pigeonite) and plagioclase, in a matrix of comminuted pyroxene and plagioclase. Trace amounts of troilite and nickel-iron are present as minute grains. There are numerous clasts, mostly small, but one is 6 mm long; they are ophitic intergrowths of pigeonite and plagioclase, coarse to fine-grained. Microprobe analyses show a moderate range of pyroxene compositions: Wo₃₋₂₂, En₃₀₋₄₀, Fs₄₃₋₅₈. Plagioclase shows a considerable range of composition, An₇₋₂₃. The meteorite is a brecciated eucrite.